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SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Comment Request

The Social Security Administration (SSA) publishes a list of information collection packages requiring clearance by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in compliance with Public Law 104-13, the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, effective October 1, 1995. This notice includes revisions and extensions of OMB-approved information collections.

SSA is soliciting comments on the accuracy of the agency's burden estimate; the need for the information; its practical utility; ways to enhance its quality, utility, and clarity; and ways to minimize burden on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Mail, email, or fax your comments and recommendations on the information collection(s) to the OMB Desk Officer and SSA Reports Clearance Officer at the following addresses or fax numbers.

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SSA submitted the information collections below to OMB for clearance. Your comments regarding the information collections would be most useful if OMB and SSA receive them within 30 days from the date of this publication. To be sure we consider your comments, we must receive them no later than **[INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]**.

Individuals can obtain copies of the OMB clearance packages by calling the SSA Reports Clearance Officer at 410-965-8783 or by writing to the above email address.

- 1. Application for Mother's or Father's Insurance Benefits -- 20 CFR 404.339-404.342, 20 CFR 404.601-404.603 -- 0960-0003.** Section 202(g) of the Social Security Act provides for the payment of monthly benefits to the widow or widower of an insured individual if the surviving spouse is caring for the deceased worker's child (who is entitled to Social Security benefits). SSA uses the information on Form SSA-5-F6 to determine an individual's eligibility for

mother's or father's insurance benefits. The respondents are individuals caring for a child of the deceased worker who is applying for mother's or father's insurance benefits under the Old Age, Survivors, and Disability Insurance (OASDI) program.

Note: This is a correction notice. SSA published the incorrect burden information for this collection at 76 FR 78068, on December 15, 2011. We provide correct burden data here.

Type of Request: Revision of an OMB-approved information collection.

Collection Instrument	Number of Respondents	Frequency of Response	Average Burden Per Response (minutes)	Estimated Total Annual Burden (hours)
SSA-5-F6 (paper)	1,611	1	15	403
MCS	26,045	1	15	6,511
MCS/ Signature Proxy	26,044	1	14	6,077
Total	53,700			12,991

2. Letter to Employer Requesting Information About Wages Earned By

Beneficiary -- 20 CFR 416.703, 404.801 & 404.820 -- 0960-0034. SSA uses information from Form SSA-L725 to verify a beneficiary's wages when SSA has incomplete or questionable wage data. SSA uses the information to calculate the correct amount of benefits payable, and to maintain an accurate record of earnings for the beneficiary. Respondents are employers who provide information SSA needs to establish specific monthly earnings.

Note: This is a correction notice. SSA published this information collection as an extension on December 15, 2011 at 76 FR 78068. Since we are revising the Privacy Act Statement, this is actually a revision of an OMB-approved information collection.

Type of Request: Revision of an OMB-approved information collection.

Collection Instrument	Number of Respondents	Frequency of Response	Average Burden Per Response (minutes)	Estimated Total Annual Burden (hours)
SSA-L725	150,000	1	40	100,000

3. Letter to Employer Requesting Wage Information -- 20 CFR 404.726 --

0960-0138. SSA must establish and verify wage information for Supplemental Security Income (SSI) applicants and recipients when determining SSI eligibility and payment amounts. SSA uses Form SSA-L4201 to collect this information. SSA uses the information to determine eligibility and proper payment amounts for SSI applicants and recipients. The respondents are employers of SSI applicants and recipients.

Type of Request: Extension of an OMB-approved information collection.

Collection Instrument	Number of Respondents	Frequency of Response	Average Burden Per Response (minutes)	Estimated Total Annual Burden (hours)
SSA-L4201	133,000	1	30	66,500

4. Claimant's Recent Medical Treatment -- 20 CFR 404.1512 and 416.912 --

0960-0292. When Disability Determinations Services deny a claim at the

reconsideration level, the claimant has a right to request a hearing before an administrative law judge (ALJ). For the hearing, SSA asks the claimant to complete and return the HA-4631 if the claimant's file does not reflect a current, complete medical history as the claimant proceeds through the appeals process. ALJs must obtain the information to update and complete the record and to verify the accuracy of the information. Through this process, ALJs can ascertain whether the claimant's situation has changed. The ALJs and hearing office staff use the response to make arrangements for consultative examination(s) and the attendance of an expert witness(es), if appropriate. During the hearing, the ALJ offers any completed questionnaires as exhibits and may use them to refresh the claimant's memory, and to shape their questions. The respondents are claimant's requesting hearings on entitlement to OASDI benefits or SSI payments.

Note: This is a correction notice. SSA published this information collection as an extension on December 15, 2011, at 76 FR 78076. Since we are revising the Privacy Act Statement, this is actually a revision of an OMB-approved information collection.

Type of Request: Revision of an OMB-approved information collection.

Collection Instrument	Number of Respondents	Frequency of Response	Average Burden Per Response (minutes)	Estimated Total Annual Burden (hours)
HA-4631	200,000	1	10	33,333

- 5. You Can Make Your Payment by Credit Card -- 0960-0462.** Using information from Form SSA-4588 and its electronic application, Form SSA-4589,

SSA updates individuals' Social Security records to reflect payments made on their overpayments. In addition, SSA uses this information to process payments through the appropriate credit card company. SSA provides the SSA-4588 when we inform an individual that we detected an overpayment. Individuals may choose to make a one-time payment or recurring monthly payments by completing and submitting the SSA-4588.

SSA uses the SSA-4589 electronic intranet application only when individuals choose to telephone the Program Service Centers to make a one-time payment in lieu of completing Form SSA-4588. An SSA debtor contact representative completes the SSA-4589 electronic intranet application. Respondents are OASDI beneficiaries and SSI recipients who have outstanding overpayments.

Type of Request: Revision of an OMB-approved information collection.

Collection Instrument	Number of Respondents	Frequency of Response	Average Burden Per Response (minutes)	Estimated Total Annual Burden (hours)
SSA-4588 Paper form	13,200	1	10	2,200
SSA-4589 Electronic intranet application	171,320	1	5	14,277
Totals	184,520			16,477

- 6. Request for Internet Services—Password Authentication -- 20 CFR 401.45 -- 0960-0632.** SSA uses a password infrastructure and process to verify the identity of individuals who choose to use the Internet system to conduct personal business with SSA electronically. To obtain a password from SSA's Individual Password

Services, we ask an individual for certain information prescribed by SSA. SSA uses the information to authenticate an individual prior to issuing a temporary password. Once SSA authenticates individuals, and those individuals create a permanent password, they may use SSA's password protected services, e.g., account status, change of address, direct deposit elections, or changes. The respondents are individuals electing to do personal business with SSA electronically.

Type of Request: Extension of an OMB-approved information collection.

Collection Instrument	Number of Respondents	Frequency of Response	Average Burden Per Response (minutes)	Estimated Total Annual Burden (hours)
Internet Requestors	3,092,069	1	10	515,345

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